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GREAT CROWD FED QUICKLY AT BARBECUE

Big Feed is Attraction of Opening Day — Details so Carefully Worked Out that 2,000 are Fed in Twenty-Five Minutes

C. C. Mueller, in charge of the serving of the barbecue, assisted by some 50 Ontario women and several from Vale, scored the big success of the opening day at the Fair, when they fed 2,000 people in just 25 minutes.

Mrs. H. L. Peterson was chairman of the woman's committee which worked out the details of the menu so successfully. Four lines were ushered by the servers and from the time they got their plates and their pickles until they wound up at the coffee urns, there was not a hitch.

The barbecuing of these handsome animals was in charge of J. F. Phelan of Bonita and his son-in-law George Farmer. They did their work well, so well that everyone pronounced it perfect.

Meat cutters from the local shops cut up the critters and men carried it to the tables behind which the servers did their part efficiently. In fact it was the most successful barbecue ever staged here.

FIRST DAYS PROGRAM GOES WITHOUT HITCH

No Accidents Mar Happy Afternoon — Crowd Large and Enthusiastic — Sage Brush Chorus and Band Add Spice—Variety Is Big Feature

"It's the best show in years," that is the verdict of all who witnessed the opening program at the Fair yesterday.

Without a hitch the program was presented in greater variety than usual. Added to wild west and race events were the boys relay won by Intermountain Institute from Emmett High and Fruitland, and the Ford race which was won by Fred Gramse after holding second place for nine laps.

The wild horse race which concluded the program was as old, a fitting climax for the day. But the real feature, in one way, was the snap with which the program was handled.

Added interest and enthusiasm was created by the Sage Brush chorus lead by L. L. Culbertson which sang many numbers during the afternoon, pulling hits on prominent men about the field and generally making the day one which will be remembered.

The high school band won honors for itself with its music and was generous with its numbers. The officials for the days were: Judges, William Jones, Juntura; James H. Davis, Payette; C. E. Kenyon, Weiser; Clerk D. M. Taggart, Ontario; Staters: C. R. Emison and Rex Marquis; Announcers, P. J. Gallagher and Ross Jenkins; H. L. Peterson chairman of the fair committee had general charge of keeping the program going and seeing that the performers were at the scratch.

TELEPHONE OFFICIALS PAY VISIT TO LOCAL OFFICES

Manager J. A. Lakness and his force entertained the executive officials of the Pacific States Telephone company Saturday. The visitors were: E. M. Burgess, vice-president; H. E. McAfee, general manager, who is also president of the Malheur Home Telephone company; N. O. Pierce, general plant superintendent all of Denver and H. R. Risley, Idaho manager and C. A. Snyder, Idaho plant superintendent.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Graham of Vale and James Graham of Westfall are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. David Graham for the fair.

CHILD'S LIFE IS SAVED BY ALIGHTING ON AWNING

Little Bill Hart, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hart of Westfall, is alive today, thanks to the fact that the awning in front of the Toggery was up. All that Billy is suffering from is a broken shoulder blade and a few bruises on the head.

Billy opened the window at the Farley rooms where he was with his parents located for the Fair, and anxious to see the sights on the street, he leaned out, and fell. First he hit the awning and then rolled to the cement sidewalk. Frantically his mother came down from above and took him from the arms of men who picked him up. He was rushed to the offices of Mrs. Weese & Fortner where first aid was given him. A complete examination revealed just the one fracture of the collar bone and a few bruises. He rested well during the afternoon despite his experience.

LARCENY OF FOUR STEERS CHARGED TO CALDWELL MAN

Claim Made that Brand is the Same as that of Complaint, Martin Echabe of McDermitt Who Says Stock Was His.

Glenn Walcott a stockman whose home is near Caldwell, but who runs cattle on the range in the Owyhee country is in jail at Vale lack of \$2,000 bail, charged with having taken four steers from the Oregon Canyon creek range of Martin Echabe, of McDermitt. Oregon Canyon creek heads up near Disaster peak and runs to McDermitt and is 50 miles from the range where Walcott runs his stock. When arrested by Sheriff Kinney of Nampa, Walcott waived extradition and a preliminary hearing and accompanied Sheriff Lee Noe to Vale. Walcott registered the brands which the cattle bore in Idaho about the time Echabe missed this stock, and Walcott claims that it is his brand and they to be his property.

TUNNY MAKES SETTLEMENT WITH BANK SO CASE DROPS

Harry B. Cockrum returned last Friday from Lethbridge, Alberta, where he went to interview H. H. Tunny who was held there by the Canadian authorities on an indictment found by the grand jury, resulting from dealings between him and the First National Bank, where in Tunny mortgaged cattle which he later admitted he did not possess. Mr. Cockrum secured a settlement of the bank's claim in a substantial sum and the case will be dropped. On the settlement of the claim, Tunny who had been held in the Lethbridge jail for three weeks was released.

Mr. Cockrum reports that the Canadian city is very active, though business conditions are not the best. They have a bumper crop over there this year, but like Oregon ranchers are not getting the prices they anticipated.

SUMMARY OF THE RACE PROGRAM OF THURSDAY

Roman race won by Redsull. Quarter mile won by Maggie May. Time 25 2-5.

Boys' Relay won by Intermountain Institute team, Hickox, Jackson, Shumway and Iverson; Emmett H. S. Beeker, Miles, Goodman and Crabtree, second; Fruitland H. S. McClure Gardner, Grabner and Durrall, third; Hickox, anchor man for the Institute gave Jackson a ten yard lead and though his team mates lost a part of this, they won handily. Durrall of Fruitland made a game effort to overtake Crabtree but failed by five yards.

3-5th race won by Quicksilver by two lengths, time 37 1-4.

Cowboys quarter mile won by Monroe, Blanton second.

Half mile free for all, Tickford, 1st; Jaunita 2nd, time 52 1-3.

Half mile, Idaho Joe, 1st, Bacon 2nd, time 59 1-4.

Relay race was a neck and neck ride all the way, Redsull won, Watson second, time 2:59.

Ford race, Gramse 1st, Bailey 2nd Chamber 3.

Mrs. J. S. McCumsey of Riverside came down to see the fair on Tuesday. She registered at the Moore. On his way to Vale L. H. Striegel, formerly of this city, now of Weiser, was in Ontario Tuesday evening. Miss Grace Froman of Juntura was a fair visitor here this week.

EXHIBIT HALL SHOWS WEALTH OF RICH SOIL

Squash Weighing 70 lbs. is Monster Exhibit—Spuds and Fruit in Abundance — School Exhibits Very Attractive

As attractive as usual, only more so, is the appearance of the exhibition building at the fair this year. Every nook and corner is filled with fine displays of farm products, the results of skilled housewives, work of school children's hands, and special exhibits of Ontario business firms.

Adrian, Vale, Valley View and Bonita are on hand with an unusually fine showing of vegetables and fruit. They give ample proof that no bigger or better farm products can be grown than here in Malheur County. In the general exhibit are squash weighing 70 pounds each, enormous cabbages, large crisp lettuce heads, stalks of peppers with as many as seventeen big peppers on one stalk. Potatoes of all kind and sizes make a display of their own.

KILLING OF SAGE HENS IS CAUSE OF HUNTERS' TROUBLE

C. T. Lackey and Bill Blackaby who were members of a hunting party which went from here to Cow Lakes near Jordan Valley on a hunting trip last Friday, admitted to George Tonkin, federal game warden that they had shot three sage hens when the fellows with the grub for the big party of hunters did not arrive. The boys reached camp early in the afternoon and waited for the car from Jordan Valley with the grub to arrive. They claim they had nothing to eat and were hungry, so they killed three sage hens and fried them. The gang ate them. Sunday Tonkin showed up and spent the day with them. Later he told Larry Gramse, deputy state game warden and Larry took up the matter and proceeded to make the complaint.

The other members of the hunting party were: J. F. Joyce, O. M. Castleman, D. W. Powers, Roy Smith, A. M. Moody, Reese Jenkins, Fred Test, O. H. Test, Fred Gramse and Marlin Gramse.

VEGETABLE GROWERS FIELD MEETING COMING MONDAY

Interesting Demonstrations of Fall Cauliflower and Other Vegetables to be Inspected at Meeting Arranged by Farm Bureau.

County agent H. B. Soulen of Washington county, Idaho has written that he is giving this meeting publicity in his section and word has been received that President Reed Moody of the Idaho Producers Union will be present from Caldwell. Walter Whitacre who has succeeded Geo. Prince as field man for the California Vegetable Union will also be present. The general vegetable growers meeting will be followed up by a series of special field meetings on lettuce to give the growers help on the care of the crop from now on to harvest and instruction about the time and method of harvesting. These meetings will be attended by G. W. Dean, director of the Idaho Producers Union for this district and Mr. Whitacre. All lettuce growers are invited to be present. The schedule is as follows.

Big Bend, the Eachus farm, Tuesday, Sept. 26, 8:30 a. m.; Kingman, the Parsons farm, Tuesday Sept. 26, 10:30 a. m.; Nyssa, the L. Kelso farm, Tuesday, Sept. 26th, 1:30 p. m.; Carlo, the F. Sundquist farm, Tuesday, September 26th, 3:30 p. m.; Lincoln, Kinney Bros & Keele, Wednesday, Sept. 27th, 8:30 a. m.; Mallett, Mallett farm, Wednesday, Sept. 27 10: a. m.; Grove, the Purvis farm, Wednesday Sept. 27, 1:30 p. m.; Vale, Jake Russell farm, Wednesday Sept. 27, 3:30 a. m.; Ontario, the Lackey farm, Thursday, Sept. 28th, 8:30 a. m.; Oregon Slope, the Lattig farm, Wednesday, September 28, 10:30 a. m.; Weiser, call farm bureau in afternoon.

Among the buckaroos who came from the interior to attend the fair was Omer Presley who registered from Westfall.

The Fair annually brings Mr. and Mrs. V. T. Herrett from Vale. Mr. Herrett has been on the fair board for years, last year was its president. With their son, V. T. Junior, they arrived here and registered at the Moore for the week.

MYSTERIOUS ACCIDENT KILLS MRS. M'BURNEY

Former Resident of Ontario Found Dead by her Husband in Boise Home—Roaded Rifle on Wall Cause of Death.

When her husband, K. L. McBurney, returned from Pocatello to their home in Boise Sunday evening, he found Mrs. McBurney in the basement dead. She had been killed but a short time before, and from the position in which the body was found it appeared that a bullet from a rifle which hung on the basement wall was the cause of her death.

Mrs. McBurney was a sister of Mrs. H. C. Schuppell and while Mr. and Mrs. Schuppell made this city their home she lived for a time with them, later moving to Baker and more recently to Boise, when Mr. McBurney is an officer in the Idaho constabulary.

According to the Boise papers the officers who made an investigation of the accident, believe that in bending over to gather a laundry bundle together, Mrs. McBurney hit the muzzle of the rifle in such a manner that the nail by which it was hanging, discharged the weapon. The bullet, the shell of which was found in the barrel of the gun, struck her near the base of the brain severing the spinal column, thus killing her instantly.

LITTLE BOY PASSES AFTER BUT FEW DAYS ILLNESS

A gloom was cast over the Cairo Community last Saturday morning by the news that little Harry McCarthy had passed away at the home of his parents after a short illness.

The little chap had that happy disposition which endeared him to everyone who knew him, and in his illness showed devotion to those who cared for him.

Harry Edward McCarthy was born October 4th, 1918 and died September 16, 1922. He was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. McCarthy, who with his three grandparents, one sister, Helen, survive him. A sister, Mildred having preceded him a year ago last January.

CARNIVAL ATTRACTIONS ARE PROVING HIT OF THE FAIR

Snap Brothers Shows Excell by Far Anything Ever Seen in This Section—Advance Notices More than Equalled.

The thousands who thronged the carnival grounds last night united in declaring that the shows were the best ever seen here. Many of the attractions have been with the big road shows of the Orpheum circuit, such as Atkinson's Dog and Pony show which made a tremendous hit with the grown folk as well as the boys and girls.

The athletic show, the musical revue, the monkey races, the hippodrome, and the five rides all are real numbers of real merit. It is by far and away the cleanest and best carnival company to travel this valley in years and alone is worth coming to town to see.

PARADE STARTS ON TIME AND KICKS OFF FAIR WEEK

Chairman Frank Ryan of the Fair parade committee gave a demonstration of what it means to start on time. Just three minutes after eleven yesterday the parade left the corner of Oregon street and Colorado avenue and moved down Oregon street headed by the High School cadets and High School girls, with the color guard immediately following Rex Marquis, marshal of the parade and Mrs. John Brosnan on horse back. Then came the buckaroos and a band from the carnival company, business men's floats, and The Ontario Fruitures' Jap-a-lac kids, with H. L. Peterson at their head. The Union oil trucks with their clown in a cage, and Charles Garvin as Dolly Snowdrop was the clown hit. Then came Boyer Bros. big float and the High School Band, followed by many decorated autos.

Mrs. M. J. Stanton of Juntura was one of the early arrivals for Fair week. She came down from the interior on Tuesday.

CLOSING PROGRAMS WILL BE BEST OF FAIR WEEK

With 5,000 free tickets out to school children of the county and adjoining counties in Idaho for the special program Friday, that day will be the big day of the Fair. The special contests for Boys' and Girls' clubs will be decided then, and a specially interesting program on the tract will be given.

The final race of the school relay will be run between Intermountain Institute and the winner of the race today between Payette and Ontario High School.

A great race and a wild west and auto race program is scheduled and there will be a thrill a minute, is the promise of the fair management.

LIBRARY EXHIBITS SHOWS VALUE OF COUNTY INSTRUCTIVE

The Malheur County Library has an educational booth showing the advantages to be gained by being a book borrower. Two displays, one of books on agriculture and one a "station library" give some idea of the usefulness of the library to the public living in the county.

VARIETY OF ENTERTAINMENT IS FEATURE AT ROUND-UP

Many New Features Added—This Year's Show to be Bigger and Better Than Ever Before

"Entertainment to suit every taste". That's the slogan of the committee in charge of this year's Weiser Round-up, Harvest Carnival and Livestock Show which will be held next week, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 27, 28, and 29.

The committee in charge has gone far and wide in searching for this variety of amusement so that all of Weiser's guests during the big show may find plenty of the things that interest them and now that the grand festival is less than a week away these men who have been working night and day are enthusiastic over the results of their efforts.

Of course the Round-up end has the greatest appeal. For this, J. W. Galloway, arena director has re-inquiries from performers. Inceived hundreds of applications and practically every case they have promised to be here and take part in Weiser's show. Mr. Galloway says that he has never met with such enthusiasm before among the folks who help put on Round-ups. It is that old jovial, careless, hardworking and manly spirit they hope to depict for Weiser's guests.

In the morning and between times, there will be the large exhibits of livestock and agricultural products. The livestock including state champion cattle, hogs and horses, will be kept at the Round-up grounds, while the farm products will be displayed in booths built in the center of the down town streets in previous years. This year the committee has laid more stress than ever before on the Livestock and Harvest carnival ends and from the accomplishments to date, it bids fair to be well worth the amount of effort that has been put into it. The men in charge of this say that for interested persons, a visit to it will be worth more than a month at school and thousands of dollars in incentive for the county.

In the evening as in the last two years the American Legion boys will have charge of entertaining Weiser's guests with their hundreds of concessions and amusement devices. These boys from their past two year experience are old hands at the game and will do their part.

As an added attraction this year the Payette battery of artillery will be here during the show. There are 100 men and the equipment includes 50 horses, 4 cannon, and 4 caissons as well as a lot of other smaller articles. They will parade at 7:30 Tuesday evening, will hold a special free exhibition drill at the Roundup grounds at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning and then they will parade again just before the opening of the big show in the afternoon.

George Tokin, federal game warden with headquarters at Baker registered at the Moore Monday.

Among the many visitors from the Owyhee are Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lowe who are down for the Fair.

NOTED DAIRY EXPERT REPORTS FINDINGS

J. L. Kraft States That This Territory Compares Favorably With Middle West States In Dairying Possibilities

In a recent issue of the Butter, Cheese and Egg Journal, J. L. Kraft, who will be remembered as one of a number of eastern experts who made a survey of the dairying possibilities of Idaho, the following report of his findings in the state is made. It will be of much interest to every resident of Idaho and particularly to those engaged in the farming and allied industries, says the Boise Statesman of Monday, September 18.

What Mr. Kraft has to say of Idaho, applies exactly as well to Malheur county, Oregon, for in his use of the term Idaho he contemplates the Snake river valley, of which this is a part, and which was included in the inspection trip of the eastern dairy experts. Mr. Kraft says:

"As to the future of the dairy industry and particularly the production of cheese, what may we look forward to or expect? Sometimes a forward look may be a shadow of a backward look.

New York First Center Cheese first found its center of manufacture in New York state, speaking broadly. As the population thickened and cities grew up demanding large quantities of fluid milk, cheese manufacturing found a new center in Wisconsin. Geographically and climatically it was the logical center.

"Now cast your eye over the fast growing cities of the Mississippi valley and note the growth of population in the last decade and you will at once come to the conclusion that the center of the cheese making industry is about to be again pushed back some place into the distant west. Where will it go? Study the western states for a good geographical center, first keeping within mind that within the next 25 years the Pacific coast west of the ranges will be as thickly populated as the Atlantic coast is today.

Montana Not Suitable "Geographically if it were not for this fact the logical center might be Montana, but Montana will always have a high freight rate both east and west and with Pacific coast conditions as they are, Montana is not logical. Besides, soil and water conditions are not ideal and Montana would have much to overcome.

"The next possibility would be Utah, but our difficulty here a lack of territory, for the only suitable dairy tracts Utah enjoys are the small fertile valleys, which will more and more develop into fruit lands. True, Utah will develop and make considerable cheese just as Illinois today is making considerable but she will not be a large factor and will serve to emphasize the center when it is established.

We come then to Idaho, with its five million acres of irrigated land, capable of producing as much as twenty million acres of Illinois or Wisconsin land.

"By way of comparison, Wisconsin has at present nine million total acres under cultivation for all purposes. Idaho has a dairy minded governor and a dairy minded people, all of whom are thoroughly awake to the possibilities of the dairy cow.

"Her climate, soil and water are conceded by all to be far superior to any state in the union; cheap freight rates by rail and water to any point on the Pacific coast in case of a quantity over production the Union Pacific freight experts tell me Idaho cheese can be delivered in New York by way of the Panama canal for less than 2 cents per pound. We find Idaho then the state of destiny so far as cheese production is concerned."

Mrs. M. A. Hunter of Crane was numbered among the Harney county delegation to see the Fair.

Mrs. Carl Kuhne and her two sons, who are leaving Juntura to move to Boise to make their home, and Mrs. Kuhne's sister, Mrs. William McKinney now a resident of Boise were here for the Fair and to bid their mother, Mrs. J. P. Sharkey of New York City farewell on her return to the east after visiting them at their homes in Boise and Juntura.